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In re Application of:  
Gopalan et al.

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For: NOVEL TRICYCLIC COMPOUNDS USEFUL  
THE TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY  
AND ALLERGIC DISORDERS: PROCESS  
FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND  
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS  
CONTAINING THEM

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

## **SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks begin on page 31 of this paper.**